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## GERMANS CUT WAY TOWARDS PARIS

### OAHU DEFENSE FORCE GROWS; WISSER HERE

New Commander of First Hawaiian Brigade Arrives on Transport Sherman

91st COMPANY, C. A. C.,  
ADDED TO GARRISON

Entrains for New Station at  
Fort Kamehameha; Officers  
Back from Leave

Oahu's permanent garrison was again added to this morning when the 91st Company, Coast Artillery Corps, disembarked from the troopship Sherman and immediately entrained for the new station, Fort Kamehameha. The Coast Defenses of Oahu is now a nine-company command, with troops stationed at four posts, Forts Ruger, De Russy, Armstrong and Kamehameha. A draft of coast artillery recruits also came on the transport.

Brig. Gen. John P. Wisser, recently assigned to command the 1st Hawaiian Brigade, is the ranking passenger on the Sherman. He is accompanied by Mrs. Wisser, his 16-year-old son Philip and his aide, Lieut. Lester D. Baker, infantry. Gen. Wisser and his family didn't linger in Honolulu, but met at the boat by Lieut. Col. Forsyth of the 4th Cavalry, who whirled the party directly out to Schofield Barracks. The new post and brigade commander will occupy the quarters that were constructed for Gen. Edwards on the old Jones ranch property.

Although Gen. Wisser has seen foreign service in Europe in connection with maneuvers of the great continental armies, the line of duty has never taken him across the Pacific, and this is his first trip to Hawaii. According to those who crossed with him in the transport he is looking forward with pleasant anticipation to his tour here.

Officers of the 91st Company who will be stationed at the Pearl Harbor post are Capt. M. P. Andrews, who is accompanied by his wife and 8-year-old daughter, 1st Lieut. L. D. Popin, accompanied by Mrs. Popin and three children; 2nd Lieut. and Mrs. F. R. Garcin. The company is well up to strength, numbering 101 men.

A number of Oahu officers and their wives returned from leave on the Sherman. These include Capt. W. R. Gibson, 2nd Infantry; Capt. and Mrs. W. T. Hannum, Engineers; Capt. and Mrs. F. M. Hinkle, C. A. C.; Capt. R. E. Longan, 25th Infantry; Capt. Chas. E. Willard, 25th Infantry; 1st Lieut. Edward L. Kelly, C. A. C.; 1st Lieut. Wilbur Rogers, 1st F. A.; 2nd Lieut. O. H. Saunders, 25th Infantry; 2nd Lieut. W. F. Winton, 1st F. A.

There are 396 casualties and recruits on the Sherman for Hawaii and seven men of the marine corps. For Manila there are 1010 casualties and recruits, 153 navy and 15 marine corps.

### WELL-KNOWN ARMY CHAPLAIN RENEWS ACQUAINTANCE HERE

Chaplain James F. Houlihan, U. S. A., who is a through passenger on the transport Sherman, was kept busy this morning shaking hands with old friends. He is going out to join the 2nd Field Artillery, after serving for a considerable time with the 5th Cavalry, with which regiment he was stationed at Schofield Barracks.

Chaplain Houlihan brings inside news of the Fifth Horse that is of considerable interest to those who knew the regiment well. After a year on the Mexican border the 5th was divided, headquarters and one squadron being at Fort Myer, near Washington; one squadron at Fort Sheridan, Ill., and one at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. While in Hawaii the 5th Cavalry developed one of the best polo teams in the army, but when the regiment was split up, it killed off regimental polo, and some of the old players dropped the game. Phil Sheridan and Capt. Forsyth are two well known stick swingers who have practically given up the sport.

"I'm mighty glad to get another look at Honolulu," said Chaplain Houlihan this afternoon. "I look back with considerable pleasure on my tour here, for I like the tropics, particularly Hawaii and the people thereof. I understand there are all sorts of changes for the better at Schofield, and I wish I had time to renew acquaintance with the place and the people."

### ASKS CITIZENSHIP.

Edward Desnoe, superintendent of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company, filed a petition in the federal court today for citizenship in the United States. He was born in St. Pierre Miquelon, France, and arrived in the United States November 30, 1886, landing at Boston. His declaration of intention to become an American citizen was filed in New York City June 26, 1903.

### HAWAIIAN GOES TO BATTLE-FRONT WITH HORSES FOR FRENCH

George Beckley Kahea, well known in Honolulu, probably is the only Hawaiian actively engaged in the movements of the Allies at the battlefront in Europe. Advices have reached the Promotion Committee that Kahea left New York City two or three weeks ago in charge of a shipment of horses and mules destined for the French army. No word has been received of his return to the United States.

Kahea is a nephew of the late George Beckley. His mother and father at one time were keepers of the Royal Mameleum in Nuanu valley. He received his early education in Honolulu and, being of an adventurous nature, left for the mainland when through school. As far as is known, he is the first Hawaiian "on duty" in Europe, and it is possible that he may remain there until the close of the war. He is about 21 years old.

### FOUR CONVICTS SEE FREEDOM AS PAROLES SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

The governor signed four paroles today granting freedom to convicts from Oahu prison. The paroles are to the following men:

Julio de la Cruz, convicted in the fifth circuit court, March 7, 1914, of assault and battery with a weapon, sentenced to 1 to 5 years.

Albert M. Makena, convicted in the second circuit court October 27, 1913, of a statutory charge, sentenced to 1 year and 18 months to 3 years.

Matias Estrella, convicted in the third circuit court, June 4, 1913, of first-degree burglary, sentenced to 2 to 20 years.

Francisco Balthazar, convicted in the fourth circuit court, June 3, 1913, of first degree larceny, sentenced to 2 to 10 years.

### HOUSE CLERK'S JOB ATTRACTS NUMBER OF ACTIVE CANDIDATES

A lively rivalry is developing for the desirable position of chief clerk of the house for the coming session of the legislature. Ed Woodward, who has held down the job for several seasons and is one of the most efficient men who ever helped run the legislative routine, is now secretary to the mayor and the mayor has said unofficially that he will need Woodward too much to give him a vacation for the four or five months necessary to handle the clerk's job. Louis S. Keku-mano, former deputy tax assessor for one of the Oahu districts, and Harry Holt, formerly of the U. S. marshal's office, are mentioned as candidates. Several others are beginning to build their plans.

### CONVICTED OF HEEDLESS DRIVING, CHAUFFEUR IS FINED \$50 BY MONSARRAT

Solomon Hennessey, a local chauffeur found guilty of heedless and reckless driving of an automobile, was this morning fined \$50 and costs by District Magistrate Monsarrat. Hennessey is charged with having run down and damaged a machine driven by Lieut. Hoffman of 1st Shafter. The accident occurred near the intersection of King street and Kalih road some days ago. Hennessey through his attorney noted an appeal to the circuit court.

### PECK ESTATE TRACT ON VINEYARD STREET IS SOLD FOR \$22,000

The Hawaiian Trust Company today closed a deal whereby the Peck estate property on Vineyard street between Emma and Miller streets is sold to Frank Santos for \$22,000.

The property measures 1.09 acres and is improved with 11 cottages. Mr. Santos plans further to improve the tract by putting up better cottages, and building better roadways.

### WOMEN MAKE TALKS AT AD CLUB LUNCHEON

Members of the Honolulu Ad Club heard today what the women are doing to make this a better city. Seventy-five women took advantage of "Woman's Day" at the club weekly luncheon. Among those were leaders of civic welfare and several of them spoke.

Those who gave addresses were Mrs. Walter F. Frear, Mrs. F. J. Lowrey, Mrs. F. M. Swamy, Mrs. A. N. Campbell and Miss Andersen.

The work of the Outdoor Circle was told by Mrs. F. J. Lowrey, its chairman. She outlined the street improvements, the beautification of parks and open squares and similar achievements for which the Outdoor Circle is responsible.

### IRON FENCE IRON SETTEES, VASES AND RAILINGS.

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### GOVERNOR GIVES ACCOUNT REFORM PLANS APPROVAL

Executive Shows Hearty Support of Work of Chamber of Commerce and Ad Club

SAYS NO NEED TO GET  
EXPERT FROM MAINLAND

Suggests H. Gooding Field as  
Man Well Able to Handle  
The Details

Hearty support of the plan for the establishment of a better public accounting system for Hawaii is given by Governor Pinkham to the Chamber of Commerce and the Ad Club, which have headed the campaign among the downtown organizations.

In two letters directed to the chamber and to be read at the meeting of the trustees this afternoon, the governor evidences his support of the idea. He takes the emphatic stand that there is no necessity of sending to the mainland for an expert and suggests further that H. Gooding Field has proved to be the sort of a man Hawaii needs to look after the details of the proposed changes in accounting systems.

The governor asks the chamber to consider advancing the funds to get the work going, indicating that when the legislature meets a territorial appropriation will be asked.

The two letters to the chamber are as follows:  
Executive Chamber, Honolulu Hawaii,  
January 8, 1915.

Mr. E. H. Paris,  
Chairman, Committee on Public  
Finance, Taxation and Insurance,  
Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu,  
Honolulu, T. H.

Dear Sir:—Replying to your resolution of December 9: After much consultation and thought, I am of the opinion the view of the chamber, that to send to the mainland for a theoretical expert would be folly and to leave the whole constructive work to one man, is sound.

It will require one executive man and two conferees, working under legal advice, to accomplish the objects. In practical forms, your chamber expresses only in idealistic terms.

I am inclined to believe, after some

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### ARMY AUTOS TO BE TAXED UNDER LEGAL OPINION

Attorney-General Gives Territorial Treasurer Ruling on Important Question

"Privately owned personal property of residents of military reservations situate within the territory of Hawaii is subject to taxation."

The above opinion of Attorney-general I. M. Stainback was given Territorial Treasurer McCarthy this morning under its ruling Tax Assessor C. T. Wilder at once will call upon the army officers and others stationed on Oahu to pay the taxes due the territory on their automobiles. Assessor Wilder says he has no definite idea of the number of privately owned cars at the various posts here, but it is certain there are enough to bring in receipts amounting to many thousands of dollars from that source.

One army officer estimated the other day that there were 100 automobiles at Schofield Barracks alone, which would be subject to the territorial tax under the attorney-general's decision. As the tax is a cent a pound on each car's weight it may be seen the income will be of considerable size. The assessor will send forward copies of the opinion to each post on the island within the next few days.

Another Opinion Contradicted. Stainback's opinion is in direct contradiction to another opinion given by a deputy in the attorney-general's office about five years ago. Under that decision the army officers' motor cars have been considered exempt for five years, but Wilder and Treasurer McCarthy believe that since the officers have been acting in good faith, relying on the former opinion, it would be unfair to compel tax payments for more than a year.

Discussing the jurisdiction of the territory over federal or military reservations within the territory the attorney-general says he found fully a hundred decisions in similar cases in territories and states on the mainland sustaining him in his view. He cites a large number of these in his opinion.

"Finally, our own supreme court," he states, "in the case of Territory vs. Carter, 19 Haw. 198, has decided

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### WILSON'S PLAN TO PRESS BILL FOR COMMERCE

Government Shipping Legislation May Shelve Philippine and Conservation Bills

[Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.—The indications are that the President intends to concentrate the energy of the administration forces in the session of Congress toward passing the government ship purchase and shipping line legislation. If necessary to do this it is intimated that the Jones bill on the Philippines and the conservation legislation will be shelved for this session.

### ITALY 'QUAKE DOES DAMAGE TO HISTORIC RUINS

[Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.] ROME, Italy, Jan. 13.—The famous column of Marcus Aurelius, one of the most noted relics of the past in all Italy, was broken by the terrific earthquake early this morning and is twisted and tottering. The Farnese palace and other historic edifices were damaged. Widespread panic prevailed but no deaths have been reported.

### M'CARN DROPS CASE AGAINST 'BERT' BOWER

United States District Attorney Jeff McCarn today dismissed the "white slave" case against George A. ("Bert") Bower "for reasons which he deemed sufficient." This is the fifth case to be "nolled" by the district attorney since the dismissal of the Doyle charges.

Although the district attorney is somewhat non-committal as to his repeated employment of the nolle prosequi, he has intimated that he has decided to clear the calendar of all cases of long standing in which he believes the defendants are worthy of assistance from his office.

There now is but one charge remaining against Bower, that being the matter involving opium. Indications are that this case also will be dismissed. Another long-standing case which also may be dismissed at the instance of the district attorney is that of James F. Field, charged with selling liquor without a government license. The case has been set for Thursday, January 21.

### RENEW APPEAL TO M'CLELLAN TO AID HARBOR

Failing to receive any answer to the first cablegram sent to George McK. McClellan of Seattle, asking assistance in the organized effort being made to restore the Honolulu harbor appropriation in the rivers and harbors bill, now pending in the Senate, Secretary Raymond C. Brown of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce today despatched another telegraphic message to McClellan.

It was planned to secure McClellan's services as assistant to Prince Kuhio, Hawaiian delegate to Congress, and a cablegram was sent to that effect. No answer has been received. "I can't understand why McClellan doesn't answer," said Mr. Brown this morning, "unless it is because he has not received our first message."

The membership committee of the Chamber of Commerce met this morning and decided to recommend to the chamber that H. H. Walker and T. J. Fitzpatrick be accepted as members.

Another meeting, a session of the board of directors, began late today, at which reports from various committees are being discussed. It was expected that a report, supplementary to a previous one, would be filed dealing with the proposal to have territorial affairs better accounted.

The annual meeting of the free kindergarten and children's aid association will be held next Friday at 10 a. m. at the Castle kindergarten. Miss Bergen will address the meeting.

### SUIT TO BREAK SMART WILL IS EXPECTED TODAY

Attorneys for Defense, After Filing Thelma Parker Document, Await Action

ATTACK FORESHADOWED  
BY PETITION FOR CHILD

"Undue Influence" on His Wife  
Will Probably be Alleged  
Against Young Husband



Richard Smart, baby son of Henry Gaillard Smart and Thelma Parker Smart. Over this 18-month-old child and his dead mother's great estate one of the greatest legal battles ever fought in Hawaii is now beginning.

"It's your next move." That was the unspoken but obvious sentiment at the offices of attorneys for the defense in the fight commenced by Mrs. Elizabeth J. Knight against Henry Gaillard Smart for possession of the latter's baby son, Richard. The "your" referred to the attorneys for the plaintiff, Mrs. Knight.

Those who have been watching the case closely, as well as the counsel for Smart, are awaiting the expected filing of another suit, this one to contest the legality of the last will and testament filed by the attorneys for Smart yesterday.

At a late hour today this expected suit had not been filed, although it was indicated that it might be offered in the court records at any time this afternoon.

It is expected that the allegations of undue influence on his girl-wife, made against young Smart by Mrs. Knight, will be reiterated as a logical basis of attack upon the will.

Hearing on "her" Birthday. A coincidence in the present litigation over the 19-months-old son of Henry Gaillard Smart is the fact that Circuit Judge Whitney has set the date for hearing of the petition of Richard Smart, the child through C. H. Olson, his "next friend," on the birthday of his dead mother, Thelma Parker Smart.

Mrs. Smart was born on March 17, St. Patrick's Day, and it is on that date that the petition will be heard. When Mrs. Smart's birthday was mentioned at the offices of Thompson, Wilder, Milverton & Lymer today, Mr. Thompson recalled another act coincident with Mrs. Smart's birthday. "You will note that the irrevocable trust deed executed by Mrs. Smart, then Miss Parker, in favor of herself and her mother, was made on April 25, 1912," said Mr. Thompson. "This was five weeks after Thelma Parker's 18th birthday, the age of majority."

"That explains exactly why the plaintiff in this suit wants to get possession of Richard Smart. Mrs. Knight, through the trust deed which Thelma Parker executed shortly after her 18th birthday, is provided for in an income of \$1500 or more a month as long as she lives, regardless of any litigation or court order. If the child is in her possession and the will is declared null and void, perhaps, you see, the child might be induced to make a similar trust deed when he reaches his majority."

Knight Urges Litigation.

A peculiar feature of the litigation is the fact that if the will is declared null and void, Annie T. K. Parker Smart's stepfather, Frederick S. Knight, will lose \$25,000 bequeathed to him in the will filed yesterday. "We understood that right along," said Attorney Anderson, one of Mrs. Knight's attorneys today, referring to the \$25,000 bequest, "and so did Mr. Knight. Nevertheless, that justice

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## ALLIES ADVANCE HELD AT SOISSONS; GAINS MADE BY THE TEUTONS

### Two German Submarines Are Reported Destroyed

CAMPAIGN ON WEST FRONT GROWS FIERCER—GERMAN RAILWAY TRAFFIC STOPPED WHILE TROOPS ARE TAKEN TO BATTLEFIELDS—ASSAULTS OF ALLIES LAST WEEK PROVOKE COUNTER-ATTACKS—PETROGRAD REPORTS DEFEAT OF TURKS—TWENTY SUBMARINES BUILDING IN MONTREAL FOR BRITAIN

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.] LONDON, England, Jan. 13.—The carefully-chosen and carried-out assaults of the Allies last week have stirred up a determined movement by the Germans.

A heavy counter-attack along many parts of the western front is being made this week. Strongly reinforced, the Germans have checked the advance of the Allies and have furthermore achieved important gains around Soissons. This is the nearest point to Paris of the German line.

### Germans Rushing Huge Masses of Troops to Reinforce Men on Line

AMSTERDAM, Holland, Jan. 13.—All ordinary passenger traffic on the German railways has been stopped until January 18 because the German generals are moving huge numbers of troops and munitions of war to the battlefields.

### Berlin Official Statement Today Emphasizes Repulses of French

BERLIN, Germany, Jan. 13.—Official—"As a result of fierce artillery duels near Nieuport, the enemy has been compelled by our overmastering fire to evacuate the trenches at the suburb of Palinsburg.

"The French attacks at La Bassée have been repulsed with a signal victory for our arms, and we have defeated important attacks against the hills north of Crony and captured two positions, four cannon, several machine-guns and 1700 prisoners.

"The situation in the Vosges section is unchanged. The situation on the eastern front is likewise unchanged."

### Paris Bulletin Admits Drive of Germans has Won some Ground

PARIS, France, Jan. 13.—Official—"Unfavorable weather is hampering operations along the entire front. Northeast of Soissons very severe fighting took place all day yesterday for spur 132. The Germans brought up very considerable forces and directed a stiff attack against our positions. On the eastward we were obliged to give ground. The fighting continues north of Beausejour. We have retained an advance position against other furious German assaults.

"The remainder of the front is inactive."

### Russian Army Harrassing the Turks

PETROGRAD, Russia, Jan. 13.—The Caucasian staff reports: "Obstinate fighting near Olti against the Turks continues. We won a victory on Monday near Kara-Urgan, where we defeated the Turkish rearguard, which had made a stand. We captured the 92nd infantry regiment and partially destroyed the 52nd infantry. We also took important positions."

### Turks Occupy Important Persian City

LONDON, England, Jan. 13.—A Reuter's despatch from Petrograd says that the Turks have occupied Tabriz, capital of the province of Azerbaijan, Persia, an important center.

### Submarines Building at Montreal

MONTREAL, Canada, Jan. 13.—Twenty submarines are being rushed to completion here for use in the British naval operations.

### Rumored Two German Submarines Sunk by Batteries in English Channel

DOVER, England, Jan. 13.—It is persistently rumored that coast batteries defending the English Channel shore have sunk two German submarines bent on attacking British vessels.